What is it?
A big family with more than 70,000 members
Which is our mission?
To reduce the burden of cardiovascular disease in Europe

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ESC History

• 1950: ESC founded by 14 National Societies

• 1952: First European Congress of Cardiology held in London

• Since 1985: Centralised administration and Congress organisation

• 1992: European Heart House built as official headquarters

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ESC Primary Activities

Education & Information
Journals, Publications, Courses and Leading European Congresses

Clinical Practice Guidelines
Recommendations for diagnosis & therapy

EUROObservational Research Programme
New programme of Surveys & Registries - reliable data collection on CVD

Membership
Constituent bodies: Associations, National Societies, Working Groups, Councils, Fellowship of the ESC (FESC) ...

External Relations
Political Advocacy, European Union, Health Organisations...

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ESC Constituent Bodies

54 National Societies
5 Associations
19 Working Groups
5 Councils

= 68 000 members

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National Societies

- 54 National cardiac societies from Europe and the Mediterranean
- Benefit from ESC membership and the European Membership Card
- Active participation in the ESC activities including the ESC Congress
- 34 Affiliated cardiac societies outside Europe and the Mediterranean

Macau Cardiology Association
MACAU 2012 – 35th AFFILIATE?

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Cardiologists of Tomorrow

Objective:
To involve the new generation within the European Society of Cardiology and allow to them to meet and learn

- Free registration to congress for 25 young in NCS and ACS
- Dedicated educational track at ESC Congress, including clinical cases session by and with young cardiologists
- Networking: website and Linkedin group
- Collaboration with leadership of European groups

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**ESC Constituent Bodies**

**ESC Working Groups**

- 19 ESC Working Groups for 19 sub-specialties
- Provide scientific expertise in a specific field
- Research and exchange of information
- Membership is open to specialists

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Associations

• Registered branches of the European Society of Cardiology for 5 subspecialties

• Promoting the development of a defined area of expertise in cardiovascular medicine and/or research

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ESC Councils

Council on Basic Cardiovascular Science

Council for Cardiology Practice (CCP)

Council on Cardiovascular Imaging

Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions (CCNAP)

Council on Cardiovascular Primary Care

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ESC Fellowship
A symbol of excellence

- More than 3200 elected ESC Fellows
- Recognition for professional achievements
- Representing the ESC activities through the world

Application Deadlines 2011
1 March and 30 September

www.escardio.org/fellowship

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ESC Scientific Activities

EurObservational Research Programme

• Better understanding of cardiology practice in Europe based on data collected with a robust methodology procedure

• Collect and compare data on national, regional and local levels

The European Board for Accreditation in Cardiology (EBAC)

• Accreditation of international CME (Continuing Medical Education) programmes in cardiology

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Clinical Practice Guidelines

• Evidence-based recommendations developed by Task Forces of leading European experts

• Help physicians weigh benefits & risks of particular diagnostic & therapeutic procedures

• Formats include: full texts, executive summaries, pocket guidelines, slide-sets, books and PDA versions

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ESC Scientific Activities

ESC Journal Family

• Respected in their fields
• Peer review ensures high quality
• 5/7 have Impact Factor in Top 50

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Editors’ Network

• **Aim:** increase collaboration among National Society Cardiology Journals to promote editorial excellence, improve diffusion of scientific knowledge and foster collaboration between National Societies, Affiliated Societies and the ESC.

• Simultaneous **publication of position papers** to increase the impact of our messages both at national as at international level:
  – ‘Background, Rationale and Mission Statement’
  – ‘The Role of National Journals in Education’
  – ‘Conflict of Interest’ (upcoming)

• IberoAmerican Journals’ Network invited to annual meeting during ESC Congress 2010

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Other Scientific Products

- ESC Books
- Core Curriculum & Core Syllabus
- Webcasts of Scientific Sessions
- Webinars

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ESC Scientific Activities

International ESC educational courses built around a global network of international partnerships

- To meet non-European demand for ESC science and knowledge
- To build closer relationships with international organisations
- To extend the ESC mission beyond European borders
- 2011 programme includes Argentina, Asia-Pacific (Malaysia), Brazil, China, India, Mexico and Saudi Arabia

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Educational Courses

- High quality medical educational programmes covering a variety of key topics
- Aim: high standard and uniformity in training for all European Cardiologists
- Encourage Continuing Medical Education

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Leading Scientific Congresses

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ESC Congress

- Biggest medical meeting in Europe on cardiovascular disease
- Every year at the end of August / beginning of September
- Annual attendance of more than 30,000

Paris, 27 – 31 August 2011

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European Congresses

EUROECHO

- Educational and research meeting in cardiovascular ultrasound
- The most important scientific gathering in echocardiography in Europe

7-10 December 2011, Budapest

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European Congresses

EuroPRevent 2011
The European Meeting Place for Science in Preventive Cardiology
FROM KNOWLEDGE TO PRACTICE

Geneva, Switzerland - 14-16 April 2011
www.escardio.org/EuroPRevent

EuroPRevent

- For experts in the field of preventive cardiology
- Covers prevention and health policy, epidemiology and public health, cardiac rehabilitation, exercise physiology, sports cardiology and basic science

Geneva, 14-16 April 2011

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European Congresses

**EuroPCR**
- Annual meeting of the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions
- Covers fields of percutaneous interventions, cardio-thoracic and vascular surgery

Paris, 17-20 May 2011

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Heart Failure Congress

- For cardiologists, internists, basic scientists, geneticists, nurses and epidemiologists who are interested in the treatment of heart failure

21-24 May 2011 in Gothenburg
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European Congresses

Acute Cardiac Care Congress

- For professionals interested in Pre-Hospital Care, Emergency Room Services, Coronary and Intensive Care Units

Istanbul: 20-23 October 2012

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EUROPACE

- Major educational and research meeting in arrhythmias and cardiac pacing in Europe

Madrid, 26-29 June 2011

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European Congresses

11th Annual Spring Meeting on Cardiovascular Nursing

- Congress of the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions

Brussels, 1-2 April 2011

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ESC Advocacy Activities

The ESC reaches out to audiences outside the cardiology community:

• EU and National Policy Makers
• NGOs and Professional Societies
• Health Care Industry
The ESC works to take forward the European agenda on:

- Prevention
- Research
- Regulatory affairs
- Registries
- e-Health

www.escardio.org/about/what/advocacy

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ESC Scientific Tools

HEARTFAILURE MATTERS.ORG:
A website for people with heart failure, their families and carers
Versions in English, Spanish, German, French, Russian

PREVENTION/HEARTSCORE:
An interactive tool for predicting and managing the risk of heart attack and stroke in Europe

- 2 European versions (High & Low Risk countries)
- 10 National versions (in 14 languages)
- PC version

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My ESC News:
Electronic newsletter with all the latest on science, publications, congresses

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